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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Balbir Singh  
Serial No. : 09/620,165  
Filed: : July 20, 2000  
Title : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR LONGITUDINAL FOLDING  
Art Unit : 3721  
Examiner : Sameh Tawfik

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**- Cross Reference to Related Applications.**

- This application is a continuing examination application of US Serial Number

09/620,165/09/620,165 filed July 20, 2000. [-

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Amend claim 1 to read as follows:

(Twice Amended) A folding device comprising:

a) a primary roller for receiving a material to be folded;